



Joint Meeting of ICA Board - Sectoral Organisations

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Task Force to Sectoral Organisations

- The role and relevance of Sectoral Organisations
- Widening of their membership and that of ICA
- Improve relationships between ICA and Sectoral Organisations globally and regionally
- Determine the precise services required
- Improve links with ICA President and Board
- Encourage business links between members
- Improve relationships between Sectoral Organisations themselves



Recommendations

- “Scientific Councils” - a group of experts in the areas of finance, communications, development, marketing etc
- SOs inviting the President and DG to their meetings as well as the Presidents of their regional bodies
- Pooling of expertise especially in the fields of communications, development, research and training



Recommendations

- Establishing regional communications centres to ensure global co-operation between individual SO's and ICA – based, where possible, in existing offices.
- Provide a secondment programme to support ICA
- Each ICA Region to have an official responsible for SO liaison



Recommendations

- In particular,
 - each Sectoral Organisation should be financially self-sufficient and responsible for its own administration.
 - Provision should also be made to support the appointment of a full time ICA Sectoral Organisations Liaison Officer to manage the intersectoral dimension and to be able to fully act upon the recommendations of this report.



GA Oslo Restructuring Report

- Sectoral Organisations are branches of ICA, and therefore all their members are affiliated to ICA as sectoral members.
 - *Normally, those sectoral members who are eligible will also be full members of ICA.*
- Members and Associate Members shall pay an annual subscription in proportion to their economic activities or on the basis of the aggregate business activity of their members.
 - *Associate members pay on a reduced scale.*
- Associate and Sectoral Members do not have voting rights in ICA's global or regional frameworks



ICA Rules - Article 28

The ICA Board may establish or dissolve, and recognise or withdraw recognition from Sectoral Organisations in such areas of economic and social activity of co-operatives as considered desirable.

The Sectoral Organisations shall:

- a) Draw up their Rules, which shall be approved by ICA Board;
- b) Report regularly on their activities to ICA Board and General Assembly;



ICA Rules - Article 28

- c) Be entitled to one representative at the General Assembly, who shall have full voting rights;
- d) Have the right to propose to ICA Board themes for discussion at the meetings of ICA Authorities;
- e) Be responsible to their members and seek to establish a working collaboration with each other, where practicable and desirable;



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- f) Collaborate with the ICA Head Office and Regional Offices, where practicable;
- g) Ensure that their regional organisations are established, and operate, in conformity with policies established by ICA and its Regional Assemblies, with regional chairs represented on global sectoral organisations;
- h) Self-finance their activities



Sectoral Organisations

In accordance with ICA Rules, the ICA GA recognised the following Sectoral Organisations:

Agricultural	ICAO
Banking	ICBA
Consumer	CCI
Fisheries	ICFO
Health	IHCO
Housing	ICHO
Insurance	ICMIF
Tourism	TICA
Workers	CICOPA



Discussion points

- Governance issues - institutional relationship between sectoral organisations and ICA global and regional structures
- Strengthening inter-sectoral co-operation
 - proposals for joint projects,
 - themes of common interest (fair trade, food safety etc)
 - joint seminars - GA planning
- Sectoral members – contribution to ICA